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Section 9. Legal activities

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SECTION 9. LEGAL ACTIVITIES

OVERVIEW

TABLE 9.1. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

DIRECT COSTS

(1) Regular budget

1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base $	%	Resource growth $	%	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates $	Inflation in 1992 and 1993 $	%	1992-1993 estimates
19 977.7	(400.6)	(2.0)	1 714.1	8.5	21 291.2	1 411.7	6.6	22 702.9

Analysis of real growth (at revised 1991 rates)

(1) Total revalued 1990-1991 resource base	Resource growth: (2) Actual	(3) Less non-recurrent items	(4) Plus delayed growth (new posts)	(5) Adjusted	Rate of real growth (5) over (1)
19 577.1	1 714.1	1 965.0	99.4	(151.5)	(0.7)%

TABLE 9.1 (continued)

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	1 680.3	2 205.4
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes		
Peace-keeping operations	112.5	165.0
Total (a)	1 792.8	2 370.4
(b) Substantive activities		
United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Symposia	280.0	200.0
Trust Fund for the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law	27.0	34.1
Trust Fund for Seminar on International Law	84.4	96.1
Trust Fund to Assist States in the Settlement of Disputes through the International Court of Justice	-	a/
Total (b)	391.4	330.2
(c) Operational projects		
Bilateral sources	120.8	146.2
Total (c)	120.8	146.2
Total (a), (b) and (c)	2 305.0	2 846.8
Total, direct costs		25 549.7

a/ As this is a new trust fund and expenditures will depend on requests from Member States, it is not possible to estimate expenditures for 1992-1993. As at 31 December 1990, the balance in the Trust Fund was $210,600.

TABLE 9.2. ANALYSIS OF REVALUED 1990-1991 RESOURCE BASE (AT REVISED 1991 RATES)

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	1990-1991 appropriation (1)	Non-recurrent 1990-1991 items (2)	Additional requirements: Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Established posts (3)	Additional requirements: Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Other objects of expenditure (4)	Additional requirements: Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Established posts (5)	Additional requirements: Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Other objects of expenditure (6)	Additional requirements: Special adjustments (7)	Additional requirements: Total (8)	Net additional requirements (9) (8)-(2)	Total revalued 1990-1991 resource base (10) (1)+(9)
A. Policy-making organs	2 711.7	42.2	-	-	-	57.3	-	57.3	15.1	2 726.8
B. Programme of work	17 266.0	1 018.4	-	-	529.1	73.6	-	602.7	(415.7)	16 850.3
Total	19 977.7	1 060.6	-	-	529.1	130.9	-	660.0	(400.6)	19 577.1

TABLE 9.3. REGULAR BUDGET, DIRECT COSTS: SUMMARY OF 1992-1993 REQUIREMENTS AND RATES OF REAL GROWTH

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates		Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates	Rate of real growth %
		Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Resource growth				
A. Policy-making organs	2 711.7	15.1	475.4	3 202.2	187.5	3 389.7	11.8
B. Programme of work	17 266.0	(415.7)	1 238.7	18 089.0	1 224.2	19 313.2	(2.8)
Total	19 977.7	(400.6)	1 714.1	21 291.2	1 411.7	22 702.9	(0.7)

TABLE 9.4. REGULAR BUDGET, DIRECT COSTS: SUMMARY OF 1992-1993 REQUIREMENTS AND RATES OF REAL GROWTH, BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates	Rate of real growth %
Established posts	9 815.0	380.2	111.2	10 306.4	661.5	10 967.9	1.7
General temporary assistance	744.0	(715.8)	1 007.1	1 035.3	85.5	1 120.8	-
Consultants	56.7	1.1	113.2	171.0	12.9	183.9	-
Overtime	29.0	0.9	9.4	39.3	3.1	42.4	31.4
Ad hoc expert groups	59.7	4.4	-	64.1	3.2	67.3	-
Common staff costs	3 710.1	148.9	42.8	3 901.8	247.3	4 149.1	1.8
Representation allowances	10.4	-	-	10.4	-	10.4	-
Travel of representatives	1 422.7	16.5	-	1 439.2	90.9	1 530.1	-
Travel of staff	436.1	7.3	6.0	449.4	27.5	476.9	1.3
External printing and binding	2 800.7	(169.7)	261.0	2 892.0	227.3	3 119.3	(22.1)
Data-processing services	-	-	29.9	29.9	2.4	32.3	-
Honoraria	289.0	-	-	289.0	-	289.0	-
Rental and maintenance of equipment	126.7	3.3	18.0	148.0	12.5	160.5	13.8
Communications	13.8	0.4	15.0	29.2	2.5	31.7	105.6
Hospitality	2.1	-	-	2.1	0.2	2.3	-
Supplies and materials	17.3	0.6	12.5	30.4	2.1	32.5	69.8
Furniture and equipment	136.5	(86.8)	88.0	137.7	6.8	144.5	177.0
Fellowships and grants	307.9	8.1	-	316.0	26.0	342.0	-
Total	19 977.7	(400.6)	1 714.1	21 291.2	1 411.7	22 702.9	(0.7)

TABLE 9.5. POST REQUIREMENTS

Organizational unit: Office of Legal Affairs

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
D-2	2	2	-	-	1	1	3	3
D-1	6	6	-	-	1	1	7	7
P-5	12	13	-	-	-	1	12	14
P-4	14	12	-	-	1	1	15	13
P-3	10	13	-	-	3	3	13	16
P-2/1	8	7	-	-	3	3	11	10
Total	53	54	-	-	9	10	62	64
General Service category								
Principal level	6	6	-	-	-	-	6	6
Other levels	42	43	-	-	6	7	48	50
Total	48	49	-	-	6	7	54	56
Grand total	101	103	-	-	15	17	116 a/	120 a/

a/ Including four posts for the secretariat of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal: one P-5 post and one General Service post (Other level) from the regular budget and one P-3 post and one General Service post (Other level) from extrabudgetary resources (see tables 9.11 and 9.15).

9.1 Programme 9, International law, of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 (A/45/6/Rev.1), covers both the provision of legal services necessary for carrying out the activities of the Organization and assistance to United Nations bodies dealing with the progressive development, codification and harmonization of international law.

9.2 The Office of Legal Affairs is responsible for implementing the present programme and provides the necessary legal services to Headquarters units, the regional offices, field operations, and United Nations organs and bodies, including the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). The Office also protects the interests, privileges and immunities of the Organization by representing it, as it deems appropriate, in forums in which such questions may arise. The Legal Counsel represents the Secretary-General before the International Court of Justice and the United Nations Administrative Tribunal.

9.3 Legal work relating to the progressive development, codification and harmonization of international law entails servicing the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly, the International Law Commission, the codification conferences, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) and the Legal Subcommittee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space.

9.4 Emphasis will be placed on the provision of services to political, peace-keeping and peace-making activities, in view of the increased role of the Organization in these areas. The development and codification of international law will follow the programme of the United Nations Decade of International Law proclaimed by the General Assembly in its resolution 44/23 of 17 November 1989. In international trade law, increased emphasis will be given to training and assistance to promote the adoption by States of the legal texts prepared by UNCITRAL. With respect to the Organization's responsibility for the custody, registration and publication of treaties under Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations, the elimination of the backlog in the Treaty Series is nearing completion, and efforts will be made to computerize operations to the extent possible and eventually to provide Member States with on-line access to treaty information.

9.5 The main intergovernmental body providing overall direction to the work of the Secretariat under this programme is the General Assembly, in particular its Sixth Committee. The Assembly is assisted in this regard by UNCITRAL with respect to subprogramme 5, and the International Law Commission, a body consisting of persons of recognized competence in the field of international law, with respect to subprogramme 3.

9.6 The secretariat of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal, formerly included in the Office of the Legal Counsel, is being presented together with the policy-making organ in recognition of the independent status of the Tribunal secretariat.

9.7 The estimated percentage distribution of the total resources of the programme in 1992-1993 would be as follows:

	Regular budget	Extrabudgetary
	(percentage)	
A. Policy-making organs	14.9	9.4
B. Programme of work	85.1	90.6
Total	100.0	100.0

9.8 The estimated percentage distribution of resources among subprogrammes would be as follows:

		Regular budget	Extrabudgetary
		(percentage)	
Subprogramme 1.*	Overall direction, management and coordination of legal advice and services to the United Nations as a whole	16.0	31.7
Subprogramme 2.	Custody, registration and publication of treaties	33.4	-
Subprogramme 3.	Progressive development and codification of international law	20.8	5.0
Subprogramme 4.	General legal services to United Nations organs and programmes	14.7	49.9
Subprogramme 5.	Progressive harmonization and unification of the law of international trade	15.1	13.4
	Total	100.0	100.0

* High priority.

A. Policy-making organs

TABLE 9.6. ANALYSIS OF REVALUED 1990-1991 RESOURCE BASE (AT REVISED 1991 RATES)

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	1990-1991 appropriation (1)	Non-recurrent 1990-1991 items (2)	Additional requirements: Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Established posts (3)	Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Other objects of expenditure (4)	Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Established posts (5)	Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Other objects of expenditure (6)	Special adjustments (7)	Total (8)	Net additional requirements (9) (8)-(2)	Total revalued 1990-1991 resource base (10) (1)+(9)
A. Policy-making organs										
1. International Law Commission	1 974.0	-	-	-	-	42.8	-	42.8	42.8	2 016.8
2. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law	363.7	22.1	-	-	-	5.2	-	5.2	(16.9)	346.8
3. United Nations Administrative Tribunal (including its secretariat)	374.0	20.1	-	-	-	9.3	-	9.3	(10.8)	363.2
Total	2 711.7	42.2	-	-	-	57.3	-	57.3	15.1	2 726.8

TABLE 9.7. REGULAR BUDGET, DIRECT COSTS: SUMMARY OF 1992-1993 REQUIREMENTS AND RATES OF REAL GROWTH

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates	Rate of real growth %
A. Policy-making organs							
1. International Law Commission	1 974.0	42.8	(2.4)	2 014.4	115.2	2 129.6	(0.1)
2. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law	363.7	(16.9)	70.2	417.0	20.0	437.0	7.3
3. United Nations Administrative Tribunal (including its secretariat)	374.0	(10.8)	407.6 a/	770.8	52.3	823.1	82.8
Total	2 711.7	15.1	475.4	3 202.2	187.5	3 389.7	11.8

a/ Including one P-5 post and one General Service (Other level) post redeployed from subprogramme 1, Overall direction, management and coordination of legal advice and services to the United Nations as a whole.

1. International Law Commission

TABLE 9.8. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Travel of representatives	1 150.3	27.7	-	1 178.0	69.8	1 247.8
Travel of staff	161.9	4.1	6.0	172.0	10.7	182.7
External printing and binding	418.8	11.0	(8.4)	421.4	34.7	456.1
Honoraria	243.0	-	-	243.0	-	243.0
Total	1 974.0	42.8	(2.4)	2 014.4	115.2	2 129.6

(2) Extrabudgetary resources	-
Total	2 129.6

9.9 In implementation of Article 13, paragraph 1 (a), of the Charter of the United Nations, the General Assembly, by its resolution 174 (II) of 21 November 1947, established the International Law Commission and approved its statute. According to that statute, the Commission consists of 34 members who shall be persons of recognized competence in international law. Its function is the promotion of the progressive development of international law and its codification. The Commission meets annually for 12 weeks and reports to the Assembly. The Assembly provides guidance to the Commission on its programme of work through annual resolutions on the report of the Commission. The Codification Division of the Office of Legal Affairs provides the substantive servicing of the Commission.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Travel of representatives

9.10 The estimated requirements ($1,178,000) relate to (a) travel and subsistence of the 34 members of the Commission (including its Chairman) to attend its annual 12-week session at Geneva; (b) travel and subsistence of the Chairman of the Commission and a Special Rapporteur to attend the regular session of the General Assembly during the consideration of the Commission's report; and (c) attendance by a representative of the Commission at the sessions of the four regional legal intergovernmental bodies (two weeks each) with which the Commission, pursuant to its statute, has established cooperative links.

Travel of staff

9.11 The estimated requirements under this heading ($172,000), including a growth of $6,000, would cover travel and subsistence of the Legal Counsel, in addition to seven staff members from the Codification Division, to service meetings of the Commission at Geneva.

External printing and binding

9.12 The estimated requirements under this heading ($421,400), which include negative growth of $8,400, relate to the printing costs of six volumes of the Yearbook of the International Law Commission for 1990, 1991 and 1992.

Honoraria

9.13 The estimates under this heading ($243,000) would cover the honoraria of the Chairman and 33 other members of the Commission, as well as the additional amounts payable to seven special rapporteurs, at the rates set by the General Assembly in its resolution 35/218 of 17 December 1980.

2. United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

TABLE 9.9. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Travel of representatives	30.3	(18.5)	-	11.8	0.6	12.4
Travel of staff	124.2	(0.8)	-	123.4	6.1	129.5
External printing and binding	209.2	2.4	70.2	281.8	13.3	295.1
Total	363.7	(16.9)	70.2	417.0	20.0	437.0

(2) Extrabudgetary resources	-
Total	437.0

9.14 The United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), consisting of 36 Member States, is charged by General Assembly resolution 2205 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 with the development of, the progressive unification and harmonization of international trade law. The Commission carries out its task in one annual meeting of varying duration (up to six weeks, but usually three or four weeks) and in working group meetings on specialized topics of up to 12 weeks' total duration per year. The Commission reports annually to the General Assembly, which provides guidance to the Commission on its programme of work through annual resolutions. The International Trade Law Branch of the Office of Legal Affairs provides the substantive servicing of the Commission.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Travel of representatives

9.15 The estimated requirements under this heading ($11,800) relate to the travel and subsistence of the Chairman of UNCITRAL to attend the meetings of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly during its consideration of the report of the Commission.

Travel of staff

9.16 The resources under this heading ($123,400) would cover the travel of staff from Vienna to provide substantive servicing of one session of UNCITRAL in New York, to attend sessions of working and study groups at locations other than Vienna, as required, and to attend two sessions of the Sixth Committee in New York.

External printing and binding

9.17 The estimated requirements under this heading ($281,800) include growth of $70,200 of which $44,600 is non-recurrent. The resources would cover the printing costs of volumes XXII and XXIII of the Yearbook of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law ($121,000), the papers on unification of international trade law submitted to the twenty-fifth session of UNCITRAL ($55,100), legal texts adopted by UNCITRAL and explanatory material ($61,100) and the Official Records of the United Nations Conference on the Liability of Operators of Transport Terminals (non-recurrent) ($44,600).

3. United Nations Administrative Tribunal (including its secretariat)

TABLE 9.10. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	-	-	210.2	210.2	11.9	222.1
General temporary assistance	-	-	52.3	52.3	4.5	56.8
Overtime and night differential	-	-	0.4	0.4	-	0.4
Common staff costs	-	-	81.0	81.0	4.5	85.5
Travel of representatives	242.1	7.3	-	249.4	20.5	269.9
Travel of staff	33.0	1.0	-	34.0	2.8	36.8
External printing and binding	52.9	(19.1)	54.1	87.9	7.3	95.2
Honoraria	46.0	-	-	46.0	-	46.0
Rental and maintenance of equipment	-	-	3.2	3.2	0.3	3.5
Communications	-	-	5.6	5.6	0.5	6.1
Supplies and materials	-	-	0.8	0.8	-	0.8
Total	374.0	(10.8)	407.6	770.8	52.3	823.1

TABLE 9.10 (continued)

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	a/	269.0
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	-	-
Total (a)	a/	269.0
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-
(c) Operational projects	-	-
Total (c)	-	-
Total (a), (b) and (c)	a/	269.0
	Total	1 092.1

a/ Resources for the secretariat of the Tribunal in 1990-1991 are shown under subprogramme 1, Overall direction, management and coordination of legal advice and services to the United Nations as a whole (see table 9.14). Extrabudgetary expenditures are estimated at $239,900.

TABLE 9.11. POST REQUIREMENTS

Organizational unit: Secretariat of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-5	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
P-3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Total	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2 a/
General Service category								
Other levels	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2
Total	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2 a/
Grand total	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	4 a/

a/ Posts redeployed from subprogramme 1 (see table 9.15).

9.18 Established by the General Assembly in its resolution 351 A (IV) of 24 November 1949, the United Nations Administrative Tribunal is the independent organ competent to hear and pass judgement upon applications alleging non-observance of contracts of employment of staff members of the United Nations Secretariat or of their terms of appointment. The Tribunal is composed of seven members appointed by the General Assembly, no two of whom may be nationals of the same State. Members are initially appointed for three years and may be reappointed.

9.19 In addition to the Secretariat of the United Nations, the competence of the Tribunal extends to the secretariats of the associated programmes, which are financed from voluntary contributions. The competence of the Tribunal has also been extended, under article 14 of its statute, to the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

Activities:

1. Parliamentary services

Expert bodies and related preparatory work: substantive and technical servicing of four or more sessions of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal, including preparation of draft summaries of facts and contentions of parties for judgements to be rendered by the Tribunal; analysis and research of documentation relevant to cases on appeal to the Tribunal; and consultations with administrations of subsidiary organs of the United Nations, the secretariat of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund and the administrations of the specialized agencies subject to the jurisdiction of the Administrative Tribunal (ICAO and IMO); and conducting the external relations of the Tribunal, including its relations with the secretariat of the International Labour Organisation (ILO).

2. Published material

Four volumes of recurrent publications: volumes VIII and IX of the Judgements of the Administrative Tribunal and volumes I and II of the Repertory of the Jurisprudence of the Administrative Tribunals of the United Nations and of the International Labour Organisation.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

9.20 One P-5 post and one General Service (Other level) post are redeployed from the Office of the Legal Counsel (subprogramme 1) to reflect the independent status of the secretariat of the Tribunal.

General temporary assistance

9.21 A non-recurrent provision of $52,300 is proposed for the preparation of volume IX of the Judgements of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal and updating the computerized index of case law of the Administrative Tribunals of the United Nations and ILO.

Travel of representatives

9.22 The estimated requirements under this heading ($249,400) relate to travel and subsistence costs of seven members of the Administrative Tribunal to attend sessions in New York and in Geneva.

Travel of staff

9.23 The resources requested under this heading ($34,000) relate to travel and subsistence of staff to service the meetings of the Administrative Tribunal at Geneva.

External printing and binding

9.24 A provision of $87,900, which includes non-recurrent growth of $54,100, is requested for printing volumes VIII and IX of the Judgements of the Administrative Tribunal ($67,200) and volumes I and II of the Repertory of the Jurisprudence of the Administrative Tribunals of the United Nations and of the International Labour Organisation ($20,700). The provision for the printing of an additional volume of the Judgements and the Repertory, which is published every 10 years, would be non-recurrent.

Honoraria

9.25 The estimates under this heading ($46,000) would cover the honoraria of the members of the Administrative Tribunal at the rates set by the General Assembly in its resolution 35/218 of 17 December 1980.

Communications

9.26 The resources requested under this heading ($5,600) relate to the cost of long-distance telephone calls and facsimile transmission and include a provision of $600 redeployed from subprogramme 1.

Supplies and materials

9.27 A provision of $800 is requested for data-processing supplies.

B. Programme of work

TABLE 9.12. ANALYSIS OF REVALUED 1990-1991 RESOURCE BASE (AT REVISED 1991 RATE)

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	1990-1991 appropriation (1)	Non-recurrent 1990-1991 items (2)	Additional requirements: Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Established posts (3)	Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Other objects of expenditure (4)	Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Established posts (5)	Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Other objects of expenditure (6)	Special adjustments (7)	Total (8)	Net additional requirements (9) (8)-(2)	Total revalued 1990-1991 resource base (10) (1)+(9)
B. Programme of work										
1. Overall direction, management and coordination of legal advice and services to the United Nations as a whole	3 006.0	8.8	-	-	130.1	6.1	-	136.2	127.4	3 133.4
2. Custody, registration and publication of treaties	5 331.4	738.8	-	-	128.8	46.3	-	175.1	(563.7)	4 767.7
3. Progressive development and codification of international law	3 750.4	235.5	-	-	145.8	13.0	-	158.8	(76.7)	3 673.7

TABLE 9.12 (continued)

	1990-1991 appropriation (1)	Non-recurrent 1990-1991 items (2)	Additional requirements: Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Established posts (3)	Delayed impact of 1990-1991 growth: Other objects of expenditure (4)	Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Established posts (5)	Recosting at revised 1991 rates: Other objects of expenditure (6)	Special adjustments (7)	Total (8)	Net additional requirements (9) (8)-(2)	Total revalued 1990-1991 resource base (10) (1)+(9)
4. General legal services to United Nations organs and programmes	2 522.3	21.9	-	-	122.4	1.6	-	124.0	102.1	2 624.4
5. Progressive harmonization and unification of the law of international trade	2 655.9	13.4	-	-	2.0	6.6	-	8.6	(4.8)	2 651.1
Total	17 266.0	1 018.4	-	-	529.1	73.6	-	602.7	(415.7)	16 850.3

TABLE 9.13. REGULAR BUDGET, DIRECT COSTS: SUMMARY OF 1992-1993 REQUIREMENTS AND RATES OF REAL GROWTH

(Thousands of United States dollars)

	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates		Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates	Rate of real growth %
		Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Resource growth				
B. Programme of work							
1. Overall direction, management and coordination of legal advice and services to the United Nations as a whole	3 006.0	127.4	(206.0)	2 927.4	173.8	3 101.2	(10.1)
2. Custody, registration and publication of treaties	5 331.4	(563.7)	1 239.3	6 007.0	442.4	6 449.4	(4.9)
3. Progressive development and codification of international law	3 750.4	(76.7)	115.3	3 789.0	221.1	4 010.1	(0.3)
4. General legal services to United Nations organs and programmes	2 522.3	102.1	72.1	2 696.5	144.5	2 841.0	2.7
5. Progressive harmonization and unification of the law of international trade	2 655.9	(4.8)	18.0	2 669.1	242.4	2 911.5	0.6
Total	17 265.0	(415.7)	1 238.7	18 089.0	1 224.2	19 313.2	(2.8)

1. Overall direction, management and coordination of legal advice and services to the United Nations as a whole

TABLE 9.14. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	1 989.6	93.7	(210.2)	1 873.1	106.3	1 979.4
General temporary assistance	3.8	0.2	24.2	28.2	2.3	30.5
Consultants	-	-	113.2	113.2	9.3	122.5
Overtime	4.5	0.1	5.8	10.4	0.9	11.3
Common staff costs	765.7	36.4	(81.0)	721.1	41.4	762.5
Representation allowances	8.0	-	-	8.0	-	8.0
Travel of staff	37.2	1.0	-	38.2	3.1	41.3
External printing and binding	127.5	3.3	(72.0)	58.8	5.0	63.8
Data-processing services	-	-	3.7	3.7	0.3	4.0
Rental and maintenance of equipment	15.8	0.4	14.2	30.4	2.5	32.9
Communications	6.8	0.2	(0.6)	6.4	0.6	7.0
Hospitality	2.1	-	-	2.1	0.2	2.3
Supplies and materials	3.7	0.1	3.8	7.6	0.5	8.1
Furniture and equipment	41.3	(8.0)	(7.1)	26.2	1.4	27.6
Total	3 006.0	127.4	(206.0)	2 927.4	173.8	3 101.2

TABLE 9.14 (continued)

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	815.9	651.2 a/
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes		
Peace-keeping operations	112.5	165.0
Total (a)	928.4	816.2
(b) Substantive activities		
Trust Fund to Assist States in the Settlement of Disputes through the International Court of Justice	-	b/
Total (b)	-	b/
(c) Operational projects	-	-
Total (c)	-	-
Total (a), (b) and (c)	928.4	816.2
Total		3 917.4

a/ Decrease reflects the transfer of resources for the secretariat of the Administrative Tribunal to "Policy-making organs" (see table 9.13).

b/ As this is a new trust fund and expenditures will depend on requests from Member States for assistance in bringing disputes to the International Court of Justice, it is not possible to estimate expenditures for 1992-1993. The balance in the Trust Fund as at 31 December 1990 was $210,600.

TABLE 9.15. POST REQUIREMENTS

Organizational unit: Office of the Legal Counsel

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
D-2	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
D-1	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
P-5	3	2	-	-	-	-	3	2
P-4	2	2	-	-	1	1	3	3
P-3	1	1	-	-	2	1	3	2
P-2/1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
Total	10	9	-	-	4	3	14	12
General Service category								
Other levels	10	9	-	-	3	2	13	11
Total	10	9	-	-	3	2	13	11
Grand total	20	18	-	-	7	5	27 a/	23

a/ Including four posts for the secretariat of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal now shown under "Policy-making organs" (see table 9.11 above).

Subprogramme 1. Overall direction, management and coordination of legal advice and services to the United Nations as a whole

9.28 The principal focus of the subprogramme will be on providing advice and services for the political, peace-keeping and peace-making activities of the United Nations, including the good offices of the Secretary-General and questions relating to Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations.

9.29 Responsibility for the implementation of the subprogramme rests with the Office of the Legal Counsel, which provides overall direction, supervision and management of the activities of the Office of Legal Affairs. It also provides services in connection with personnel administration, financial administration and resource planning and use of common services to support the implementation of the work programme.

Activities:

1. International cooperation

(a) Settlement of disputes, special missions, good offices, fact-finding, emergency and humanitarian relief services, legal services: provision of advice and assistance on the legal aspects of political, peace-keeping and humanitarian missions, including participation in negotiations conducted by the Secretary-General or his special representatives, research and analysis of legal issues, and provision of written or oral opinions to Secretariat units, field units and missions;

(b) General legal advice and services: legal research and analysis and oral and written legal opinions and statements by the Legal Counsel and his immediate staff upon the request of the Secretary-General and units of the Secretariat or other organs of the United Nations; representation of the Secretary-General by the Legal Counsel in judicial or arbitral proceedings; liaison with the International Court of Justice and discharging the legal responsibilities of the Secretary-General under the Statute of the Court; formal legal opinions, legal advice, negotiation of agreements with host countries and settlement of disputes in connection with the implementation, development and protection of the privileges and immunities of the Organization as an entity, officials and experts of the United Nations and representatives of Member States; and replies to legal questions received from Governments, organizations and the general public.

2. Parliamentary services

Substantive services: legal advice and services to intergovernmental bodies and conferences convened by the United Nations; preparation of drafts and review of the rules of procedure of organs of the United Nations and of conferences convened by the United Nations; and substantive servicing of meetings of the Credentials Committee of the General Assembly, meetings of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country and two to four sessions of the Committee on Applications for Review of Administrative Tribunal Judgements.

3. Published material

Two volumes of recurrent publications: Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs, Supplement No. 5 (vol. IV) and Supplement No. 6 (vol. I).

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Redeployment of posts

9.30 Resources for the secretariat of the Administrative Tribunal (one P-5 post and one General Service (Other level) post are shown under "Policy-making organs".

General temporary assistance

9.31 The estimated requirements under this heading ($28,200) include $24,200 redeployed from subprogrammes 2 to 4 in order to consolidate resources for temporary assistance under administration and common services for those units of the Office of Legal Affairs in New York. These resources are required to replace staff on maternity leave or extended sick leave and during peak workload periods.

Consultants

9.32 A non-recurrent provision of $113,200 is required for consultancy services to study the overall needs for computerization in the Office of Legal Affairs and to plan and develop systems in particular for the establishment of a database of legal precedents and modernization of the United Nations Treaty Information System, including the possibility of on-line access by Governments and other users, and utilization of image compact disc technology for the dissemination of the text of treaties.

Overtime

9.33 The proposed provision of $10,400, which includes growth of $5,800, relates primarily to overtime in connection with provision of legal services for political and peace-keeping missions and the good offices of the Secretary-General.

Travel of staff

9.34 The estimated requirements under this heading ($38,200) relate to travel of the Legal Counsel and other senior legal officers undertaken at the request of the Secretary-General, for consultation with the regional commissions, specialized agencies and intergovernmental organizations, and in connection with peace-keeping missions and with meetings of the United Nations held away from Headquarters.

External printing and binding

9.35 The estimated requirements under this heading ($58,800), which represent negative growth of $72,000, relate to the printing costs of the Repertory of Practice of United Nations Organs, Supplement No. 5 (vol. IV) and Supplement No. 6 (vol. I), two volumes less than in 1990-1991.

Data-processing services

9.36 A provision of $3,700 is proposed for usage fees for the WESTLAW database, which provides access to international law materials.

Rental and maintenance of equipment

9.37 The estimated requirements under this heading ($30,400), which reflect resource growth of $14,200, relate to maintenance costs of existing office automation equipment ($24,000) and those ($6,400) arising from the acquisition of the personal computer units proposed below.

Communications

9.38 The estimated resources under this heading ($6,400) would cover the cost of long-distance telephone calls. The negative growth of $600 is because of the redeployment of the resources for the secretariat of the Administrative Tribunal to "Policy-making organs".

Supplies and materials

9.39 A provision of $7,600, which includes an increase of $3,800, is requested for data-processing supplies.

Furniture and equipment

9.40 A provision of $26,200 is proposed for the following: (a) acquisition of four personal computer units for Professional level staff to enable them to retrieve information quickly and prepare legal opinions on short notice ($16,200); (b) software for a database of the legal opinions and materials constituting precedents of the Office of Legal Affairs ($10,000).

2. Custody, registration and publication of treaties

TABLE 9.16. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	2 074.9	92.8	114.2	2 281.9	150.7	2 432.6
General temporary assistance	732.1	(716.3)	939.0	954.8	78.7	1 033.5
Overtime	9.7	0.4	-	10.1	0.9	11.0
Common staff costs	797.8	36.0	44.0	877.8	58.1	935.9
External printing and binding	1 610.0	43.0	114.4	1 767.4	145.7	1 913.1
Rental and maintenance of equipment	76.7	2.1	(17.2)	61.6	5.2	66.8
Communications	1.1	0.1	5.0	6.2	0.5	6.7
Supplies and materials	7.2	0.1	1.5	8.8	0.6	9.4
Furniture and equipment	21.9	(21.9)	38.4	38.4	2.0	40.4
Total	5 331.4	(563.7)	1 239.3	6 007.0	442.4	6 449.4

(2) Extrabudgetary resources -

Total	6 449.4

TABLE 9.17. POST REQUIREMENTS

Organizational unit: Treaty Section

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-3	2	4	-	-	-	-	2	4
P-2/1	4	3	-	-	-	-	4	3
Total	8	9	-	-	-	-	8	9
General Service category								
Principal level	6	6	-	-	-	-	6	6
Other levels	13	14	-	-	-	-	13	14
Total	19	20	-	-	-	-	19	20
Grand total	27	29	-	-	-	-	27	29

Subprogramme 2. Custody, registration and publication of treaties

9.41 The three principal activities under the present subprogramme, namely, the depositary functions of the Secretary-General, registration of international treaties and agreements and publication of the United Nations Treaty Series and its Cumulative Index are ongoing activities. In addition, legal advice and assistance in treaty matters are provided to Member States and international organizations as required.

9.42 As the elimination of the backlog in the number of manuscripts to be prepared for volumes of the Treaty Series nears completion, efforts will shift to improving operations, by taking advantage of technological innovations. It is planned to modernize the United Nations Treaty Information System with a view to providing eventually on-line access to Governments and other users and disseminating the texts of treaties in CD-ROM format.

Activities:

1. International cooperation

(a) Depositary services and registration of treaties:

(i) Custody of approximately 400 multilateral treaties and related instruments for which the Secretary-General performs depositary functions pursuant to final clauses therein, including processing and sending notification to all Member States or participating Governments and intergovernmental organizations of approximately 1,800 depositary formalities (signatures, ratifications, accessions, acceptances, declarations and reservations), providing information on the status of multilateral treaties to Governments, intergovernmental organizations and others; establishment of authentic texts of multilateral treaties to be deposited with the Secretary-General; and establishment of certified true copies of multilateral treaties for Governments and intergovernmental organizations;

(ii) Registration pursuant to Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations and processing of approximately 5,000 new treaties and international agreements and subsequent actions pertaining to more than 30,000 treaties and international agreements already registered or filed and recorded with the Secretariat; issuance of corresponding certificates of registration; and provision of information on the status of registered treaties to individual Governments, intergovernmental organizations and others;

(b) General legal advice and services: provision of legal opinions on all aspects of treaty law and depositary and registration practice to Governments, intergovernmental organizations and others.

2. Published materials

(a) 149 volumes of recurrent publications: annual: Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General; monthly: Statement of Treaties and International Agreements Registered or Filed and Recorded with the Secretariat; periodic: 120 volumes of the United Nations Treaty Series; and volumes 18, 19 and 20 of the Cumulative Index to the Treaty Series;

(b) Two non-recurrent publications: Handbook of Final Clauses (vols. I, II and III) and Summary of Practice of the Secretary-General as Depositary of Multilateral Agreements;

(c) Technical material: maintenance of the United Nations Treaty Information System database and provision of computerized information on all treaties and international agreements and subsequent actions thereto registered or filed and recorded with the Secretariat of the United Nations since 1946, as well as those registered with the Secretariat of the League of Nations during its existence, at the request of individual Governments, intergovernmental organizations and others.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Established posts

9.43 It is proposed to establish one P-3 post for the Indexing Unit in order to enable the Unit to prepare for each biennium two volumes of the Cumulative Index, each covering 50 volumes of the Treaty Series. By the end of 1991, it is expected that only 1,050 of approximately 1,450 volumes of the Treaty Series will have been indexed. It takes two professional indexers one year to index 50 volumes of the Treaty Series in both English and French. At present one of the two Professional level posts in the Indexing Unit has been temporarily borrowed from the Office of the Legal Counsel and must now be returned to enable that Office to carry out its programme of activities.

9.44 One General Service (Other level) post is requested for the Depositary Functions Unit in view of the increase in the number of depositary formalities and telephone requests for information pertaining to the some 400 multilateral agreements deposited with the Secretary-General.

9.45 It is proposed that the post of the legal officer in charge of the registration of treaties and international agreements with the Secretariat be reclassified from the P-2 to the P-3 level, owing to the expanded responsibilities of the post in connection with the increase in registration of treaties and in the number of multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General.

General temporary assistance

9.46 A non-recurrent provision of $954,800 would cover: (a) assistance relating to the elimination of the backlog in the Treaty Series and Cumulative Index at the same level as in 1990-1991 (12 work-months of one P-3, two P-2, four General Service (Principal level) and six General Service (Other level) staff) ($702,000); (b) assistance to prepare the Handbook of Final Clauses and the Summary of Practice of the Secretary-General as Depositary of Multilateral Agreements ($90,000); and (c) assistance at the General Service (Other level) for the verification or "cleaning" of the UNTIS database ($162,800). The negative growth of $15,800 relates to the consolidation of the resources for temporary assistance in subprogramme 1.

External printing and binding

9.47 The estimated resources under this heading ($1,767,400), which represent growth of $114,400, relate to the printing and/or binding of 120 volumes of the United Nations Treaty Series ($1,618,200), two volumes of the Cumulative Index to the Treaty Series ($60,700), two volumes of Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General ($10,100), volumes I, II and III of the Handbook of Final Clauses ($70,800) and Summary of Practice of the Secretary-General as Depositary of Multilateral Agreements ($7,600). The provision for 40 back volumes of the Treaty Series, the Handbook of Final Clauses and the Summary of Practice would be non-recurrent ($618,300).

Rental and maintenance of equipment

9.48 The estimated requirements under this heading ($61,600), reflecting negative resource growth of $17,200, relate to maintenance costs of existing data-processing equipment ($47,200) and the costs ($14,400) arising from the acquisition of the personal computer units referred to below. The negative resource growth is attributable to a decrease in the cost of disc storage on the NYCS mainframe.

Communications

9.49 The estimated requirements under this heading ($6,200), including resource growth of $5,000, relate to long-distance telephone calls and facsimile transmission.

Supplies and materials

9.50 Resources in the amount of $8,800, including an increase of $1,500, are required for data-processing supplies.

Furniture and equipment

9.51 A provision of $38,400 is proposed for the acquisition of nine personal computer units required for computerization of the work of the Treaty Section, including the preparation of translations for the Treaty Series in the form of camera-ready proofs.

3. Progressive development and codification of international law

TABLE 9.18. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	2 157.8	105.0	(3.0)	2 259.8	121.2	2 381.0
General temporary assistance	5.4	0.2	(5.6)	-	-	-
Overtime	5.6	0.2	-	5.8	0.5	6.3
Common staff costs	829.5	40.8	(1.2)	869.1	47.4	916.5
Representation allowances	1.2	-	-	1.2	-	1.2
Travel of staff	16.1	0.5	-	16.6	1.3	17.9
External printing and binding	382.3	(210.3)	102.7	274.7	21.3	296.0
Rental and maintenance of equipment	17.0	0.4	3.4	20.8	1.8	22.6
Communications	3.5	0.1	-	3.6	0.3	3.9
Supplies and materials	2.2	0.2	2.8	5.2	0.4	5.6
Furniture and equipment	21.9	(21.9)	16.2	16.2	0.9	17.1
Fellowships and grants	307.9	8.1	-	316.0	26.0	342.0
Total	3 750.4	(76.7)	115.3	3 789.0	221.1	4 010.1

TABLE 9.18 (continued)

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	-	-
Total (a)	-	-
(b) Substantive activities		
Trust Fund for the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law	27.0	34.1
Trust Fund for Seminar on International Law	84.4	96.1
Total (b)	111.4	130.2
(c) Operational projects	-	-
Total (c)	-	-
Total (a), (b) and (c)	111.4	130.2
	Total	4 140.3

TABLE 9.19. POST REQUIREMENTS

Organizational unit: Codification Division

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
D-2	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
D-1	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
P-5	2	3	-	-	-	-	2	3
P-4	4	2	-	-	-	-	4	2
P-3	2	3	-	-	-	-	2	3
P-2/1	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
Total	14	14	-	-	-	-	14	14
General Service category								
Other levels	7	7	-	-	-	-	7	7
Total	7	7	-	-	-	-	7	7
Grand total	21	21	-	-	-	-	21	21

Subprogramme 3. Progressive development and codification of international law

9.52 Within the framework of the United Nations Decade of International Law (1990-1999), activities will seek to promote the acceptance of and respect for the principles of international law, the peaceful settlement of disputes between States, the progressive development and codification of international law and its teaching, study, dissemination and wider appreciation. Emphasis will be placed on the maintenance of international peace and security, including observance of rules of diplomatic and consular law and prevention of international terrorism, and on rules for the conciliation of disputes between States. Draft texts are expected to be completed on the status of the diplomatic courier, jurisdictional immunities of States and their property, the law of the non-navigational uses of international watercourses, and the draft Code of Crimes against the Peace and Security of Mankind.

9.53 The Secretariat receives guidance from and provides substantive services to the International Law Commission in respect of this subprogramme.

Activities:

1. International cooperation

External relations: coordination, in accordance with paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 45/40 of 28 November 1990, of activities undertaken in the framework of the United Nations Decade of International Law by international organizations working in the field of international law.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) Parliamentary documentation: 16 reports submitted to the General Assembly on the United Nations Decade of International Law; survey of international law; consular functions; protection of diplomatic and consular missions; prevention of international terrorism; consolidation and progressive development of the principles and norms of international law relating to the new international economic order; observer status of national liberation movements; status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949; rules for the conciliation of disputes; the United Nations programme of assistance in the teaching, study, dissemination and wider appreciation of international law; and other subjects as requested by the Assembly;

(b) Substantive services: two sessions of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly and its working groups; two sessions of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization; one session of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law; and plenipotentiary codification conferences that the General Assembly may decide to convene during the biennium in order to consider final drafts adopted by the International Law Commission;

(c) Expert bodies and related preparatory work: substantive servicing of two sessions of the International Law Commission, including preparation of a topical summary and assistance to special rapporteurs in preparing reports on such topics as international criminal jurisdiction; State responsibility; international liability for injurious consequences arising out of acts not prohibited by

international law; relations between States and international organizations; the law of the non-navigational uses of international watercourses; and the draft Code of Crimes against the Peace and Security of Mankind.

3. Published materials

(a) Eight volumes of recurrent publications: annual: 1986, 1987, 1991 and 1992 editions of the Juridical Yearbook; periodic: volumes 23 and 24 of the Legislative Series, and volumes XXI and XXII of United Nations Reports of International Arbitral Awards;

(b) One non-recurrent publication: Handbook on Peaceful Settlement of Disputes.

4. Operational activities

Group training, including seminars and workshops, and fellowships: 32 fellowships and 50 travel grants under the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law; and 40 fellowships for the Geneva International Law Seminar.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Established posts

9.54 It is proposed to reclassify one P-4 post to P-5 in view of the intensification of activities in connection with the United Nations Decade of International Law and the consequent need for a greater part of the work to be carried out with less supervision. In connection with a redistribution of responsibilities with this upgrading, it is proposed to reclassify a second P-4 post to the P-3 level.

General temporary assistance

9.55 Resources for temporary assistance have been consolidated under subprogramme 1.

Overtime

9.56 The resources requested under this heading ($5,800) relate to overtime requirements primarily in connection with the substantive servicing of the Sixth Committee.

Travel of staff

9.57 The estimated requirements under this heading ($16,600) would provide for the travel and subsistence of staff members attending meetings and conferences of United Nations organs and other bodies held away from Headquarters and meetings of regional bodies with which the Commission has established formal links.

External printing and binding

9.58 The estimates under this heading ($274,700) include non-recurrent growth of $102,700. Of the total, $164,800 is for the printing of four volumes of the United Nations Juridical Yearbook; $30,400 for two volumes of the Legislative Series; $34,400 for two volumes of the Reports of International Arbitral Awards; and $45,100 for the Handbook on Peaceful Settlement of Disputes. The provision for the back editions of the Yearbook for 1986 and 1987 and the Handbook is non-recurrent.

Rental and maintenance of equipment

9.59 The estimated requirements under this heading ($20,800), including growth of $3,400, would provide for the maintenance of the existing personal computer units ($14,400), as well as the new acquisitions proposed below ($6,400).

Supplies and materials

9.60 The resources requested under this heading ($5,200), reflecting growth of $2,800, relate to supplies required for personal computers.

Furniture and equipment

9.61 A provision of $16,200 is requested for the acquisition of four personal computer units.

Fellowships and grants

9.62 The resources requested under this heading ($316,000) would cover the cost of travel and stipends for approximately 30 fellowships in connection with the United Nations-United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) Fellowship Programme in International Law at Geneva, as well as approximately 50 travel grants to participants from developing countries invited to regional training and refresher courses organized by UNITAR.

4. General legal services to United Nations organs and programmes

TABLE 9.20. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	1 761.0	88.0	-	1 849.0	96.9	1 945.9
General temporary assistance	2.7	0.1	(2.8)	-	-	-
Consultants	23.0	0.6	-	23.6	1.9	25.5
Overtime	2.0	-	3.2	5.2	0.5	5.7
Common staff costs	677.8	34.4	-	712.2	37.3	749.5
Representation allowances	1.2	-	-	1.2	-	1.2
Travel of staff	8.9	0.3	-	9.2	0.7	9.9
Data-processing services	-	-	26.2	26.2	2.1	28.3
Rental and maintenance of equipment	17.2	0.4	14.4	32.0	2.7	34.7
Communications	2.4	-	5.0	7.4	0.6	8.0
Supplies and materials	4.2	0.2	3.6	8.0	0.6	8.6
Furniture and equipment	21.9	(21.9)	22.5	22.5	1.2	23.7
Total	2 522.3	102.1	72.1	2 696.5	144.5	2 841.0

TABLE 9.20 (continued)

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	864.4	1 285.2
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	-	-
Total (a)	864.4	1 285.2
(b) Substantive activities	-	-
Total (b)	-	-
(c) Operational projects	-	-
Total (c)	-	-
Total (a), (b) and (c)	864.4	1 285.2
	Total	4 126.2

TABLE 9.21. POST REQUIREMENTS

Organizational unit: General Legal Division

	Established posts		Temporary posts					
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
D-2	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
D-1	1	1	-	-	1	1	2	2
P-5	4	4	-	-	-	1	4	5
P-4	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
P-3	2	2	-	-	1	1	3	3
P-2/1	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	2
Total	11	11	-	-	4	5	15	16
General Service category								
Other levels	5	5	-	-	3	4	8	9
Total	5	5	-	-	3	4	8	9
Grand total	16	16	-	-	7	9	23	25

Subprogramme 4. General legal services to United Nations organs and programmes

9.63 Legal services, including drafting and interpretation of various legal instruments, legal advice, preparation of briefs, clarification of mandates, legal negotiations and representation, will be provided to the Organization and its organs with the object in particular of securing observance of the Organization's administrative law, enforcing its rights and defending it from claims.

Activities:

1. International cooperation

General legal advice and services: legal advice and assistance with regard to agreements, contracts, leases, insurance, copyright and taxation; minimizing claims against the United Nations and protecting its legal rights, including representation in judicial and arbitral proceedings; assistance in the development of the administrative law of the United Nations and legal advice with regard to questions relating thereto, including financial, personnel and pension matters; representing the Secretary-General in cases brought under the statute of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal and provision of legal services with respect to cases before the Committee on Applications for Review of Administrative Tribunal Judgements; and other general legal services to United Nations deliberative and operational bodies and secretariats.

2. Parliamentary services

Substantive services: two sessions of the Legal Subcommittee of the Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space and its working groups.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

General temporary assistance

9.64 Resources for temporary assistance have been consolidated under subprogramme 1.

Consultants

9.65 The resources requested under this heading ($23,600) relate to the cost of outside counsel required in connection with activities for which special expertise is not available in the Secretariat, such as interpretation of local laws, contracts and leases on highly technical subjects or legal opinions on specialized financial aspects.

Overtime

9.66 The estimated requirements of $5,200, which include growth of $3,200, would provide for overtime in connection with the increased workload of the General Legal Division, as well as peak workload periods.

Travel of staff

9.67 The estimated requirements under this heading ($9,200) would cover the following: consultations with officers at other duty stations in analysing the administrative law of the United Nations, negotiation and preparation of claims and agreements and representation at proceedings, provision of legal support to United Nations conferences, bodies and secretariats, and orientation of counsel in connection with the interpretation of agreements and the resolution of disputes; and the representation of the Secretary-General before the United Nations Administrative Tribunal at its sessions at Geneva.

Data-processing services

9.68 The resources requested under this heading ($26,200) would provide for subscription and usage fees in connection with the WESTLAW database, which provides access to international law materials.

Rental and maintenance of equipment

9.69 The estimated requirements under this heading ($32,000), which reflect growth of $14,400, relate to maintenance costs of existing data-processing equipment ($24,000) and the costs arising from the acquisition of the personal computer units proposed below ($8,000).

Communications

9.70 The provision requested under this heading ($7,400) representing growth of $5,000, would provide for the cost of long-distance telephone calls and facsimile transmission.

Supplies and materials

9.71 Resources of $8,000, including an increase of $3,600, are requested for data-processing supplies.

Furniture and equipment

9.72 A provision of $22,500 is proposed for the acquisition of five personal computer units ($20,300) and a terminal and printer to connect to the WESTLAW database service ($2,200).

5. Progressive harmonization and unification of the law of international trade

TABLE 9.22. ANALYSIS OF OVERALL COSTS

(Thousands of United States dollars)

(1) Regular budget

Main objects of expenditure	1990-1991 appropriation	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Revaluation of 1990-1991 resource base	Estimated additional requirements at revised 1991 rates: Resource growth	Total requirements at revised 1991 rates	Inflation in 1992 and 1993	1992-1993 estimates
Established posts	1 831.7	0.7	-	1 832.4	174.5	2 006.9
Consultants	33.7	0.5	-	34.2	1.7	35.9
Overtime	7.2	0.2	-	7.4	0.3	7.7
Ad hoc expert groups	59.7	4.4	-	64.1	3.2	67.3
Common staff costs	639.3	1.3	-	640.6	58.6	699.2
Travel of staff	54.8	1.2	-	56.0	2.8	58.8
Furniture and equipment	29.5	(13.1)	18.0	34.4	1.3	35.7
Total	2 655.9	(4.8)	18.0	2 669.1	242.4	2 911.5

TABLE 9.22 (continued)

(2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1990-1991 estimated expenditures	1992-1993 estimated expenditures
(a) Services in support of:		
(i) Other United Nations organizations	-	-
(ii) Extrabudgetary programmes	-	-
Total (a)	-	-
(b) Substantive activities		
United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Symposia	280.0	200.0
Total (b)	280.0	200.0
(c) Operational projects	120.8	146.2
Total (c)	120.8	146.2
Total (a), (b) and (c)	400.8	346.2
	Total	3 257.7

TABLE 9.23. POST REQUIREMENTS

Organizational unit: International Trade Law Branch

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993	1990-1991	1992-1993
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-5	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
P-4	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
P-3	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
P-2/1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
Total	10	10	-	-	1	1	11	11
General Service category								
Other levels	7	7	-	-	-	-	7	7
Total	7	7	-	-	-	-	7	7
Grand total	17	17	-	-	1	1	18	18

Subprogramme 5. Progressive harmonization and unification of the law of international trade

9.73 Legal texts for the unification and harmonization of international trade will continue to be prepared with new projects focusing on the increasing use of electronic data interchange in commercial activities and the special needs of developing countries. Legal texts prepared by the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law will be promoted through training and assistance activities. The Secretariat receives guidance from and provides substantive services to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law in respect of this subprogramme.

Activities:

1. International cooperation

Promotion of legal instruments: collections of decisions of national courts and arbitration tribunals interpreting the texts prepared by the Commission and dissemination of the information.

2. Parliamentary services

(a) Parliamentary documentation: 12 reports to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law: training and assistance (annual), status of conventions (annual), coordination of activities of international organizations (annual), bibliography of writings related to UNCITRAL (annual); multi-party arbitral proceedings; uniform rules on non-negotiable maritime documents; two subjects to be determined within the mandate of the Commission; two reports to the Working Group on International Payments; two reports to the Working Group on International Contract Practices; two reports to the Working Group on the New International Economic Order; Official Records of the United Nations Conference on the Liability of Operators of Transport Terminals;

(b) Substantive services: two sessions of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly; two sessions of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law; four sessions of the Working Group on International Payments; four sessions of the Working Group on International Contract Practices; and four sessions of the Working Group on the New International Economic Order;

(c) Expert groups and related preparatory work: two meetings of the Ad Hoc Expert Group on International Contract Practices on unresolved legal issues in international contract practices; and two meetings of the Ad Hoc Expert Group on the New International Economic Order on legal issues in international trade law of special interest to developing countries.

3. Published materials

(a) Two volumes of recurrent publications: annual: volumes 22 and 23 of the Yearbook of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law;

(b) Six non-recurrent publications: booklet on arbitration (model law); booklet on model law on international credit transfers; booklet on the Convention on the Liability of Operators of Transport Terminals; papers on the unification of international trade law submitted to UNCITRAL at its twenty-fifth session; booklet

on the Convention on International Bills of Exchange and International Promissory Notes (with explanatory notes); and legal guide on international countertrade contracts.

4. Information materials and services

Guided tours, lectures and seminars: public lectures on the work of the Commission are given either independently or as part of programmes organized by other professional, non-governmental or intergovernmental bodies, approximately 12 times a year.

5. Operational activities

(a) Advisory services on the applicability of UNCITRAL texts;

(b) Group training, including seminars and workshops, and fellowships: two regional seminars and one symposium on international trade law.

6. Conference services

Library services: maintenance of the UNCITRAL Law Library.

Resource requirements (at revised 1991 rates)

Consultants

9.74 The resources proposed under this heading ($34,200) would provide for consultancy services required in connection with two reports submitted to UNCITRAL, one on multi-party arbitral proceedings ($5,000) and one on uniform rules on non-negotiable maritime documents ($5,000). In addition, in cases where there are special language requirements, consultants will be required to make direct contact with individuals in technical ministries and in the legal office of foreign ministries ($24,200).

Overtime

9.75 The provision of $7,400 would provide for overtime required in connection with servicing sessions of UNCITRAL and its working groups.

Ad hoc expert groups

9.76 The estimated requirements under this heading ($64,100) relate to four meetings of ad hoc study groups authorized by the General Assembly in its resolution 33/92 of 16 December 1978. The study groups will assist the International Trade Law Branch in work on procurement and preliminary studies on the subjects of countertrade and joint ventures.

Travel of staff

9.77 The estimated resources under this heading ($56,000) would provide for attendance of staff at meetings of other organizations which are directly related to the work of UNCITRAL and its role as the core legal body in the coordination of the work of international organizations in international trade law ($28,700) and at

regional seminars sponsored by other organizations with the purpose of providing substantive support ($16,600); and travel in connection with the promotion of the adoption of UNCITRAL texts ($10,700).

Furniture and equipment

9.78 A provision of $34,400 is requested for the replacement of two personal computers and a laser printer ($15,200) and for the acquisition of three additional personal computers, including a second computer for the UNCITRAL Library ($19,200).